



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1652
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q61536

Tasuku HONJO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/674,330

Group Art Unit: 1652

Confirmation No.: 5233

Examiner: Kerr, K.

Filed: December 20, 2000

For: A POLYPEPTIDE, A cDNA ENCODING THE POLYPEPTIDE AND UTILIZATION
THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

ATTN: BOX AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2002. The examiner set a three month period for the response. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for a one-month extension of time, making the due date for response February 18, 2003. As the U.S. Federal Government was closed on Tuesday, February 18, 2003, due to record snow falls in Washington D.C., the due date for response is automatically extended to Wednesday, February 19, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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